STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., AND PATHNET, INC.

DOCKET NO. NIA-99-32

ORDER DOCKETING AMENDMENT TO NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT FOR COMMENTS

(Issued July 11, 2000)

On December 2, 1999, U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST), and Pathnet, Inc. (Pathnet), filed a negotiated interconnection agreement for review by the Utilities Board (Board) pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). The proceeding was docketed as NIA-99-32. The Board issued an order on January 11, 2000, approving the negotiated interconnection agreement. On June 29, 2000, U S WEST and Pathnet filed an amendment to the interconnection agreement to replace the unbundled network elements (UNEs) terms, conditions, and rates.

The parties to the negotiation or any other interested party may submit written comments supporting approval or rejection of the agreement within 30 days of the filing under 199 IAC 38.7(4). Accordingly, the Board will accept written comments on or before July 31, 2000. The Board will determine what procedures are appropriate for review of the agreement after any comments are filed. Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(4), the Board must approve or reject the interconnection

agreement within 90 days of the submission of the agreement or the agreement will be deemed approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Comments supporting approval or rejection of the amendment filed by U S WEST Communications, Inc. and Pathnet, Inc., on June 29, 2000, to the negotiated interconnection agreement, shall be filed on or before July 31, 2000.

UTILITIES BOARD

	/s/ Allan T. Thoms
ATTEST:	/s/ Susan J. Frye
/s/ Raymond K. Vawter, Jr. Executive Secretary	/s/ Diane Munns
Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 11 th day of July, 2000.	